

SUBJECT: Approve grant agreement between the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and Sumter County BOCC/Animal Services to implement a Project entitled "Stipends for Code 3 Cruelty Education for Animal Control Officers" (Staff recommends approval).

☐ Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 9/27/2011
☒ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

BUDGET IMPACT: Grant Revenue \$10,000 (no match required)

☐ Annual
☐ Capital

FUNDING SOURCE:
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:

001-200-579-5500 = \$6000.00
 001-200-579-4000 = \$4000.00

□ N/A

On April 20, 2011, Animal Service submitted a grant application via online format to the ASPCA. The application submitted is to provide extensive training opportunities for Sumter County Animal Control Officers through the ASPCA and Code 3 National Level Training for Cruelty Investigation. On September 20, 2011, Animal Services received notification the application was approved for funding. The grant will pay for class registration, air fare, hotels and meals for the officers to attend cruelty investigation classes.

There is no local match requirement to receive the funds. It is required that the County recognize the support of ASPCA specific to this project in any photos, press releases, and to acknowledge project support by this nonprofit organization and provide a link to the ASPCA website.

The grant will be funded on or about October 27, 2011, and must be expended within a year. There are two progress reports due; one on March 12, 2012 and September 12, 2012. The primary contact for the grant at ASPCA will be Allison Cardona (allisonc@aspc.org, (212) 876-7700 x4315).